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United States Attorney Joe W. Stecher announced the federal Grand Jury for the District of Nebraska has returned a number of unsealed indictments. Indictments are charging documents that contain one or more individual counts that are merely accusations, and every defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty. If you need additional information on any of the following indictments, please telephone Joe Stecher, or in his absence, Criminal Chief, Jan Sharp, at (402) 661-3700.

- * Bernita Anderson, age 43, of Des Moines, Iowa, is charged with providing false statements to the Department of Housing and Urban Development on or about June 9, 2004. It is alleged Anderson made a statement at a hearing before the Douglas County Housing Authority that she had not been employed by Methodist Hospital, when in fact, she had been employed by Methodist Hospital during the time she was receiving housing assistance. The maximum penalty for this count includes 5 years imprisonment, a \$250,000 fine, 3 years of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment.
- * Matthew H. Anselmo, age 37, of Bellevue, is charged in a twenty-seven (27) count indictment. Counts 1 through 15 charge Anselmo, owner, operator and manager of M&M Marketing and Premier Fighter, with wire fraud from on or about January 1, 2006, and continuing until on or about August, 2008. The essence of the scheme to defraud was the use of materially false and misleading statements and omissions of material fact in the solicitation of investment/loan funds from various family members, friends, and business acquaintances, purportedly for the purpose of funding apparel purchases for existing apparel contracts. The funds, unbeknownst to the investors, were actually used, among other things, to (1) pay off previous investors, (2) pay off other existing business debts

and obligations, (3) underwrite gaming activity, and (4) purchase a personal residence and automobiles for cash. As a result of this scheme approximately thirteen (13) victims suffered a loss of approximately \$4,000,000. The maximum possible penalty for each count includes imprisonment of 20 years, a \$250,000 fine, 5 years of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment.

Count 16 of the indictment charges Anselmo with mail fraud on or about March 24, 2008. It is alleged Anselmo utilized the United States Postal Service to execute the scheme to take money under false pretenses. The maximum possible penalty for this count includes imprisonment of 20 years, a \$250,000 fine, 5 years of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment.

Counts 17 through 23 charge Anselmo with money laundering on various dates between March 8, 2007, and July 31, 2008. The maximum possible penalty for each count includes imprisonment of 10 years, a \$250,000 fine, 3 years of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment.

Counts 24 through 27 charge Anselmo with possessing counterfeit checks with the intent to deceive other people on or about May 15, 2008; June 9, 2008; October 16, 2008; and October 16, 2008, respectively. The maximum possible penalty for each count includes imprisonment of 10 years, a \$250,000 fine, 3 years of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment.

- * Ma-Na-Pe-Xoo-Nu-Ga Cleveland, also known as Haga Cleveland, age 30, of Winnebago, NE, is charged with two counts of sexual assault of a minor on or about January 27, 2009, and February 2, 2009. The maximum possible penalty for these counts include imprisonment of 15 years, a fine of \$250,000, 3 years of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment.
- * **Jorge Esquivel-Castillo** is charged with illegal reentry into the United States on or about February 11, 2009, following deportation as a felon. The maximum possible penalty is imprisonment 10 years, a \$250,000 fine, followed by a 3 year term of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment.

- Geoffery Essay, age 30, of Lincoln, is charged in a four-count indictment. Count I charges Essay with bank robbery of Union Bank, Lincoln, Nebraska, on or about April 14, 2009. The maximum possible penalty, if convicted, includes 20 years imprisonment, a fine of \$250,000, a 3 year term of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment. Count II alleges Essay used a firearm during this bank robbery. The maximum possible penalty includes not less than 7 years to life imprisonment, a \$250,000 fine, a 5 year term of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment. Count III charges Essay with being a felon in possession of a firearm on or about April 14, 2009. Essay was convicted in 2003 of violation of protection order-second offense which is a felony. The maximum possible penalty includes imprisonment of 10 years, a \$250,000 fine, 3 years of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment. Count IV of the indictment alleges the firearm possessed by Essay should be forfeited to the United States.
- * Frank Douglas Harris, age 28, of Omaha, is charged in a two-count indictment. Harris is charged in Count I with being a felon in possession of a firearm on or about March 28, 2009. Harris was convicted of escape in 2004. The maximum penalty for this count includes imprisonment of 10 years, a fine of \$250,000, a 3 year term of supervised release, and a special assessment of \$100. Count II of the indictment alleges the firearm possessed by Harris should be forfeited to the United States.
- * Jesus Lorenzo Hernandez, age 18, of Omaha, is charged with possession of a firearm by an illegal alien on or about April 24, 2009. The penalty for this count includes imprisonment of 10 years, a fine of \$250,000, a 3 year term of supervised release, and a special assessment of \$100. Count II of the indictment alleges the firearm possessed by Hernandez should be forfeited to the United States.
- * **Kimberly Ann Hudson**, age 41, of Omaha, is charged in a two-count indictment. Hudson is charged in Count I with being a felon in possession of a firearm on or about April 15, 2009. Hudson was previously convicted of possession of a controlled substance. The maximum penalty for this count includes imprisonment of 10 years, a fine of \$250,000, a 3 year term of supervised release, and a special assessment of \$100.

- Count II of the indictment alleges the firearm possessed by Hudson should be forfeited to the United States.
- * Luis Izara-Perez, age 33, of South Sioux City, Nebraska, is charged in Count I with illegal reentry into the United States on or about April 14, 2009, after being deported following conviction for an aggravated felony. The maximum possible penalty if convicted, includes imprisonment of 20 years, a fine of \$250,000, followed by 3 years of supervised release and a \$100 special assessment. Count II of the indictment alleges Izara-Perez failed to register as a sex offender in Nebraska. The maximum penalty for this count includes imprisonment for 10 years, a \$250,000 fine, 5 years of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment.
- * Cynthia J. Jameson, age 41, of Bellevue, is charged with two counts of mail fraud from on or about March 29, 2006, in Count I and on or about March 20, 2007, in Count II. It is alleged Jameson, office manager of Joe Tess Place, Inc., wrote unauthorized checks on the business account of Joe Tess Place to pay her personal credit cards. It is alleged she caused losses to Joe Tess Place, Inc., in the amount of \$154,081.72. It is alleged she covered up the embezzlement by falsifying ledger entries in the company's books. The maximum possible penalty for each of these counts includes imprisonment of 20 years, a \$250,000 fine, 3 years of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment.
- * Neil S. Jensen, age 37, of Henry, South Dakota, is charged in a 14-count indictment. All Counts allege that on various dates between July 10, 2001, and January 8, 2004, Jensen, an officer and employee of United Nebraska Bank, misapplied money intrusted to the custody and care of the United Nebraska Bank. Specifically, it is alleged Jensen transferred money in the amount of over \$18,800 from bank customer accounts into his own personal account at the bank. The maximum penalty for these counts include imprisonment for 30 years, a \$1,000,000 fine, 3 years of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment.
- * **Barton E. Langenberg**, age 47, of Kearney, is charged in an eight-count indictment. In Counts I through VI it is alleged that Langenberg structured financial transactions to evade reporting requirements to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) when he made cash

deposits in the amount of approximately \$52,219 to the Farmers and Merchants Bank (formerly Kearney State Bank) on various dates in 2005. Also, Langenberg made cash deposits in the amount of approximately \$55,250 to the Platte Valley State Bank on various dates in 2005. Count VII charges Langenberg with structuring financial transactions to evade reporting requirements to the IRS when he made numerous cash deposits on various dates in 2005 through 2008, to the Farmers and Merchants Bank (formerly Kearney State Bank), in the amount of over \$800,000. The maximum possible penalty for these counts include imprisonment of 5 years, a fine of \$250,000, 3 years of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment. Count VIII of the indictment alleges all property involved in the offenses alleged in Counts I through VII, and all property derived from proceeds obtained as a result of these violations should be forfeited to the United States.

- Brandon D. Patterson, age 19, of Omaha, is charged in a two-count indictment.

 Patterson is charged in Count I with being a felon in possession of a firearm on or about December 12, 2008. Patterson was convicted of robbery in 2008. The maximum penalty for this count includes imprisonment of 10 years, a fine of \$250,000, a 3 year term of supervised release, and a special assessment of \$100. Count II of the indictment alleges the firearm possessed by Patterson should be forfeited to the United States.
- * Miguel Angel Perez-Hernandez, age 29, and Juan Aguilar-Ramirez, age 31, both of Omaha, were charged in an 8 count indictment. Count I alleges beginning from an unknown date but at least as early as February, 2009, and continuing through on or about April 21, 2009, the Defendants conspired together and with other persons to distribute and possess with intent to distribute more than 50 grams of actual methamphetamine. The maximum possible penalty includes imprisonment of at least 10 years and up to life, a \$4 million fine, a 5 year term of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment. Count II alleges on or about March 3, 2009, Miguel Angel Perez-Hernandez distributed 5 grams or more of actual methamphetamine. The maximum possible penalty includes imprisonment of not less than 5 and up to 40 years, a \$2 million fine, a 4 year term of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment. Count III alleges on or about

March 11, 2009, Miguel Angel Perez-Hernandez distributed 5 grams or more of actual methamphetamine. The maximum possible penalty includes imprisonment of not less than 5 and up to 40 years, a \$2 million fine, a 4 year term of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment. Count IV alleges on or about April 1, 2009, the Defendants distributed 5 grams or more of actual methamphetamine. The maximum possible penalty includes imprisonment of not less than 5 and up to 40 years, a \$2 million fine, a 4 year term of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment. Count V alleges on or about April 20, 2009, Miguel Angel Perez-Hernandez distributed 5 grams or more of actual methamphetamine. The maximum possible penalty includes imprisonment of not less than 5 years and up to 40 years, a \$2 million fine, a 4 year term of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment. Count VI alleges on or about April 20, 2009, Miguel Angel Perez-Hernandez distributed less than 500 grams of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of cocaine. The maximum possible penalty includes imprisonment of up to 20 years, a \$1 million fine, a 3 year term of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment. Count VII alleges on or about April 21, 2009, the Defendants distributed 50 grams or more of actual methamphetamine. The maximum possible penalty includes imprisonment of not less than 10 years and up to life, a \$4 million fine, a 5 year term of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment. Count VIII alleges the \$377.00 in United States currency seized from Miguel Angel Perez-Hernandez and the \$500 seized from Miguel Angel Perez-Hernandez's residence on or about April 21, 2009, were used or intended to be used to commit and to facilitate the drug offenses set out in Counts I through VII and any and all interest Miguel Angel Perez-Hernandez has in the United States currency should be forfeited to the United States.

* Danny Reaves, age 34, is charged in Count I with bank robbery of approximately \$32,790 from Tier One Bank, 8820 Arbor Street, Omaha, Nebraska, on or about January 21, 2009. The maximum possible penalty, if convicted, includes 20 years imprisonment, a fine of \$250,000, a 3 year term of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment. Count II of the indictment alleges Reaves brandished a firearm during the course of the bank robbery charged in Count I. The maximum penalty for this count includes

imprisonment of not less than 7 years to life, a \$250,000 fine, 5 years of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment. Count III of the indictment charges Reaves with the robbery of approximately \$31,000 from a Rochester Armored Car on May 1, 2009, shortly after a money pickup from the Douglas County Treasurer's Office, 7414 North 30th Street, Omaha, Nebraska. The maximum penalty for this count includes imprisonment of 20 years, a \$250,000 fine, 3 years of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment. Count IV of the indictment alleges Reaves discharged a firearm during the course of the robbery of the Rochester Armored Car charged in Count III. The maximum penalty for this count includes 25 years mandatory minimum to life imprisonment consecutive to the sentence in Count III, a \$250,000 fine, 5 years of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment.

Richard J. Robinson, age 26, of Omaha, was charged in a 10 count indictment. Count I alleges on or about November 14, 2008, the defendant distributed a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of crack cocaine. Count II alleges on or about December 3, 2008, the defendant distributed a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of crack cocaine. Count III alleges on or about December 26, 2008, the defendant distributed a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of crack cocaine. Count IV alleges on or about January 9, 2009, the defendant distributed a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of crack cocaine. Count V alleges on or about March 24, 2009, the defendant distributed a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of crack cocaine. Count VI alleges on or about April 23, 2009, the defendant distributed a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of crack cocaine. Count VII alleges on or about April 24, 2009, the defendant distributed a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of crack cocaine. Counts I through VII each carry a maximum possible penalty of imprisonment of up to 20 years, a \$1 million fine, a 3 year term of supervised release and a \$100 special assessment. Count VIII alleges on or about April 24, 2009, the Defendant, having previously been convicted of a felony, was in possession of a .38 caliber Smith & Wesson revolver. The maximum possible penalty includes imprisonment of up to 10 years, a \$250,000 fine, a 3 year term of supervised

release, and a \$100 special assessment. Count IX alleges the \$264 in United States currency seized on or about April 24, 2009, was used or intended to be used to commit and to facilitate the drug offenses set out in Counts I through VII and any and all interest the Defendant has in the United States currency should be forfeited to the United States. Count X alleges upon conviction of Count VIII, any and all interest the Defendant has in the .38 caliber Smith & Wesson revolver, should be forfeited to the United States.

- * Jose Sanchez-Tierrablanca, also known as Javier P. Salinas, is charged with illegal reentry into the United States on or about May 14, 2008, following deportation as a felon. The maximum possible penalty is imprisonment 10 years, a \$250,000 fine, followed by a 3 year term of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment.
- Denise L. Schawang, age 44, of Falls City, Nebraska, is charged with 10 counts of wire fraud from on or about September 7, 1999, to on or about March 22, 2007. It is alleged that Schawang, Program Technician with the Richardson County Nebraska office of the Farm Service Agency (FSA), and her husband obtained a series of Price Support Loans from the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) through the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). These loans were not repaid on time, however, when they were repaid, Schawang entered false information into the FSA computer system so it appeared the repayment was made prior to the due date. The loan data, after being entered into the computer system, was transmitted to a regional office in Kansas City via wire transmission. The maximum possible penalty for each of these counts includes imprisonment of 20 years, a \$250,000 fine, 3 years of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment.
- * Linda M. Wilson, age 57, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, is charged in a one-count indictment with interstate transportation of stolen property on or about April 30, 2003. The maximum possible penalty for this count includes 10 years imprisonment, a \$250,000 fine, 3 years supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment.
- * **Deonna Wright-Reese**, age 41, of Omaha, is charged with providing false statements to the Department of Housing and Urban Development on or about March 7, 2005. It is alleged Wright-Reese wrote a false statement saying her only employment income was

from her employment with Grace Cottage, when in fact, she had other income at that time which would have reduced the amount of her Section 8 Housing assistance or it would have made her ineligible for assistance. The maximum penalty for this count includes 5 years imprisonment, a \$250,000 fine, 3 years of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment.